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or, 
$$\frac{h(\sin C \sin E - \cos C \sin E)}{y(\sin A \cos E + \cos A \sin E)} = \frac{\sin C}{\sin A}; \text{ or } h(1 - \cot C \tan E) = y(1 + \cot A \tan E), \text{ or }$$

$$h-y=(h\cot C+y\cot A)\tan E$$
; but  $\tan E=(h-y)/x$ ,

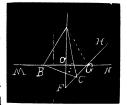
 $\therefore x = y \cot A + h \cot C$ , or  $y = x \tan A - h \cot C \tan A$ , as the locus of C.

For C=A, we have  $y=x\tan A-h$ .

Make OF=OA, draw FH so as to make  $\angle HGN=$   $\angle A$ , draw AG.  $\angle HGN=OGF=\angle AGO=\angle A$ .

Since  $\angle BAC = \angle BGC$ , ABCG is concyclic.

 $\therefore \angle ACB = \angle AGB = \angle A, \therefore \angle C = \angle A$ , which unifies geometrically for the case in which the angles at A and C remain equal.



### 92. Proprosed by JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, LL. D., Counselor at Law, Portland, Me.

Let ABCD be a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle. Draw the diagonals AC and BD. Show that AB.BC:DC.AD=BD:AC. [From a note in Young's Geometry, edition of 1830.]

#### Solution by the PROPOSER, and J. SCHEFFER, Hagerstown, Md.

Let F be the intersection of the diagonals.

Then AB:BF::CD:CF,

or AB : CD :: BF : CF,

and BC : AD :: CF : DF,

Hence AB.BC : AD.CD :: BF : DF, (I) and AB.BC + AD.CD : AD.CD : BF + DF (=BD) : DF.

In like manner it is shown

(II) that AB.AD+BC.CD:BC.DC:AC:CF.

But AD : DF :: BC : CF.

or AD.CD : DF :: BC.CD : CF.

Combining these with (I) and (II), we have

AB.BC + AD.CD : AB.AD + BC.CD :: BD : AC.

Q. E. D.

Also solved by B. F. SINE, CHAS. C. CROSS, WALTER H. DRANE, and G. B. M. ZERR.

# 93. Proposed by G. B. M. ZERR, A. M., Ph. D., President and Professor of Mathematics, The Russell College, Lebanon, Va.

While surveying in a level field I notice a mountain behind a hill. Wishing to know the height of each I take the angles of elevation of the tops of both and find them to  $\beta=45^{\circ}$ ,  $\delta=40^{\circ}$ . I then measure a straight line a=400 feet, and find the angles of elevation of the tops to be  $\gamma=42^{\circ}$ ,  $\mu=38^{\circ}$ . After measuring b=300 feet more in the same straight line I find the elevations to be  $\lambda=40^{\circ}$ ,  $\nu=36^{\circ}$ . Find the height of each.

#### Solution by the PROPOSER.

Let AB=400 feet=a, BC=300 feet=b, OP=x, QR=y.